

# Leesburg Economic Development Commission

Annual Report 2014

### Mission

The Leesburg Economic Development Commission's mission is to ensure the economic vitality and stability of the Town of Leesburg. The commission works to retain/expand existing businesses, attract/recruit desirable new businesses and enhance economic activities that will benefit local businesses and residents.

## Commissioners (2014)

Jim Sisley, Chair
Don Chapman, Vice Chair
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Eungil Choi
Amy Cross Monroe
Butch Porter
Gwen Pangle

Vice Mayor Kelly Burk, Council Representative
Mary Harper, Planning Commission Representative
Bob Hall, Airport Commission Representative

# 2014 Highlights

- Ambassador Program endorsed by Town Council
- Annual Business Award Program
- Dashboard
- Refresh of EDC Strategic Map
- HUBZone ED Organization of 2014 SBA
- Launchpad

### **Briefings & Council Feedback**

- Arts & Cultural District Reset
- 2014 Retail Gap Analysis
- Noise Ordinance
- Parking
- Light Industry & Office Ordinance
- Makersmith
- Mervin Jackson Park
- Planning Commission
  - Vehichle Storage in parking lots
  - Food Trucks
- Water Availability Fees
- Mason Enterprise Center
- SBDC
- Visit Loudoun

#### **Town of Leesburg Dashboard**

Economic Development Department Quarterly Update

Reach: 1,699 Friends: 151 Likes: 754 New Likes: 60



January, 2015

**Generating Awareness** 

**Generating Conversations** 

Internet Activity	Town of Leesburg Economic Developm Hits 2	ent Page(s) 014 3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr	Hits 2014 4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr (10-1-14 thru 11-10-14)*		
	Economic Development Homepage-	1,543	742		
	HUBZone Page	386	136		
	New & Opening	2.508	724		
Leesburg Economic Development F	acebook Page Town of Leesbur	g Linkedin Pa	ige		

Followers: Page Views:

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Business Attraction Efforts Qualified Prospects Current Prospects Wins- New Businesses Jobs Created by Wins Lost Prospects	Since 1/1/13 142 85 39 185 18	New Business November 2014 October 2014 September 2014 August 2014 July 2014	16 26 18 34 27	L) Licenses Issue April 2014 March 2014 February 2014 January 2014 December 2013	22 22 29 33 15
Ribbon Cuttings	80	June 2014 May 2014	15 35	November 2013 October 2013	28 21

**HUBZone Activity** 

	Total		FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Total
Total Leesburg HUBZone Companies (Certified and those seeking certification)	47*	New Companies Landed-	19	18	4	41
Current Prospects-	48	New Jobs Created-	69	52	15	186*
HUBZone Certified Companies- Source: Town of Leesburg-Economic Development *Includes 6 pre-existing businesses	18	Leesburg HUBZone Linkedin Members *Includes 50 jobs from pre-existing b	•			84

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	Vacant Square Footage
300,000,00	



	Class A	Class B	Class C	Total		Class A	Class B	Class C	Total
3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr 2014 2 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr 2014	18.9% 22.3%	13.7% 15.4%	1.9% 2.5%		3 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr 2014 2 <sup>rd</sup> Qtr 2014	104,392 122,751	122,832 138,637	12,957 16,957	240,181 278,345
1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr 2014	22.3%	15.3%	2.5%	12.97%	1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr 2014	122,751	135,190	16,957	274,898
4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr 2013	23.5%	13.5%	2.5%	12.0%	4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr 2013 Total Square	129,751 551,388	119,185 881,640	16,957 687,094	265,893 2,136,822
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### **Business Development Pipeline** since 1/1/13

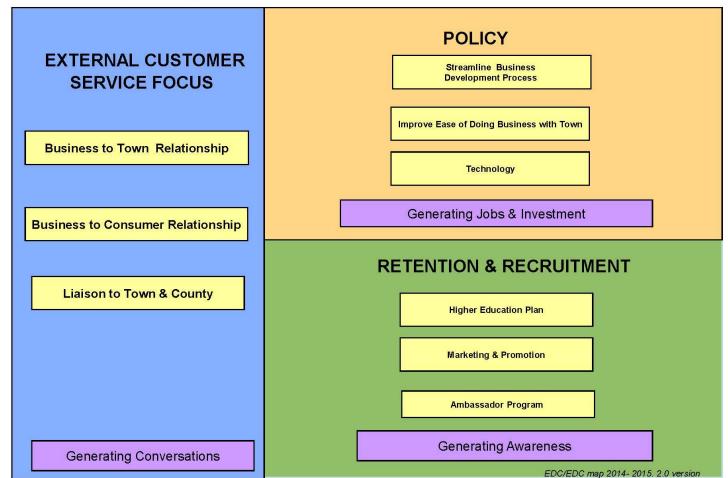
Qualified prospects	142
Current prospects	85
Wins – New Businesses	39
Jobs Created by Wins	185
Lost Prospects	18
Ribbon Cuttings	80

### **HUBZone Activity** since 1/1/13

New Companies Landed	41
New Jobs Created	186



### Economic Development Map for FY 2014-FY2015



# Leesburg Means Business

Leesburg

the hometown of the 21st century